

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1.(Original): A delay composition comprising mixed particles of silicon, barium sulfate and red lead, the red lead being present in an amount of about 3 to 15 % by weight of the composition.

Claim 2.(Original): The composition of claim 1 wherein the red lead is present in an amount of about 6 to 12 % by weight of the composition.

Claim 3.(Original): The composition of claim 1 wherein the red lead is present in an amount of about 9 to 12 % by weight of the composition.

Claim 4.(Original): The composition of claim 1 wherein the composition contains about 40 to 60 % by weight of said barium sulfate and about 25 to 50% by weight of said silicon.

Claim 5.(Original): The composition of claim 1 further containing a binder causing collections of said particles to bind together in the form of free-flowing granules.

Claim 6.(Original): The composition of claim 5 wherein said binder is selected from the group consisting of solvent-soluble polymers, silica and swelling clays.

Claim 7.(Original): The composition of claim 5 wherein said binder is a water-soluble derivative of cellulose.

Claim 8.(Original): The composition of claim 5 wherein the binder is carboxymethyl cellulose.

Claim 9.(Original): The composition of claim 8 wherein said binder is present in an amount of 0.2 to 0.6% by weight of the composition.

Claim 10.(Original): The composition of claim 1 wherein the particles of barium sulfate have a specific surface area of about $0.8 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$, the particles of silicon have a specific surface area of $6 \text{ to } 8 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$, and the red lead has a particle size of about 1 to 3 microns.

Claim 11.(Original): A delay composition in the form of free flowing granules each consisting essentially of mixed particles of silicon, barium sulfate and red lead, together with a binder, the red lead being present in an amount of about 3 to 15 % by weight of the composition.

Claims 12 – 29: (Canceled).